



Kate Gordon – Co-Director – Apollo Alliance



Kate Gordon is the Co-Director of the national Apollo Alliance. Kate was one of Apollo's first staffers, joining in 2004 as the Director of the Apollo Strategy Center, the policy arm of Apollo formerly housed at the Center on Wisconsin Strategy (COWS). She then served as Apollo's national Program Director before her promotion to Co-Director in mid-2008. Kate is nationally recognized for her work on the intersection of clean energy and economic development policy, and especially for helping to shape the modern definition of "green-collar jobs" as "well-paid, career track jobs that contribute directly to preserving or enhancing environmental quality." She serves or has served on many boards and steering committees including RE-AMP, Clean Wisconsin, the Midwest Agriculture Energy Network, the National Wind Coordinating Committee, and the National Green Industries Policy Retreat. Kate has a long history of working on economic justice and labor issues. At COWS, along with her energy work, Kate focused on corporate tax policy, progressive federalism, and rural

economic development. Prior to that she served as an employment and consumer rights litigator at Trial Lawyers for Public Justice in Oakland, CA; in earlier years she worked as a tenant organizer and housing advocate in San Francisco. She is a primary or co-author on most of Apollo's major reports, including *The New Apollo Program*, *Green-Collar Jobs in America's Cities*, *Greener Pathways*, and the *New Energy* series. She is also the author of several published articles on contract fairness, federal preemption, mandatory arbitration litigation, and regional economic development.

Kate has a JD and Masters in City Planning from the University of California, Berkeley.